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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

SUBJECT : Ad Hoc Requirements Committee Views on Priority Requirements in the Far East: USSR and Communist China

1. ANGARSK, IRKUTSK, UKRAINA, SOVETSKAYA GAVAN, and KOMSOMOLSK, in Far Eastern USSR, are highest priority targets remaining to be covered by AQUATONE. These targets, while ranging below certain Western USSR targets such [redacted] in the Urals, are distinctly of higher importance than targets on Communist China, which will be discussed below. 25X1

2. However, it should be noted in assessing the importance of these targets that [redacted] 25X1 IRKUTSK with aircraft production, UKRAINA with staging long range bombers, SOVETSKAYA GAVAN with long range bombers and a naval base, and KOMSOMOLSK with shipyards and possibly guided missile development in connection with naval vessels. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee, as rapidly as current [redacted] research warrants, will advise the Project with regard to the criticality of the above targets in regard to solving the [redacted] problems. 25X1 25X1

3. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee has already provided to the Project, in a memorandum of 3 September 1957 [redacted] intelligence advice which may be of assistance to Operations in regard to priority coverage in Communist China. This note now in addition seeks to explain in intelligence problem terms the relative significance which Communist China coverage may have in regard to National Intelligence estimates. 25X1

4. There are no significant targets in Communist China connected with the guided missile and [redacted] problems. (MANCHOULI and HARBIN carry guided missiles as a category of second interest, but the reports on which this interest is based are so tenuous as to be inadequate as a basis for AQUATONE coverage unless otherwise justified.) 25X1

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5. Requirements for photographic coverage of Communist China stem from US security interests that range from immediate to long term. The immediate interests concern the threat to US forces in the Far East--the Seventh Fleet in the waters of the China Sea, the SAC and Eighth Air Force air bases and Army and Marine units in Okinawa, and Army and Air Force elements in place in Korea to protect that republic in the event of a resumption of hostilities (which would in all likelihood involve Chinese Communist forces). The long term interests concern the economic strength of Communist China as a factor in evaluation of the over-all Communist Bloc threat to the free world. These interests are the basis for intelligence requirements for warning of the imminence of hostilities, for information on the capabilities of CHICOM military forces to initiate hostilities, for intelligence on capabilities for logistic support of hostilities in the near or distant future, either limited or all-out hostilities, and for clues on Communist China's strength economically to undertake foreign or domestic economic programs independently or in conjunction with the USSR.

6. In terms of area of coverage the targets of photographic intelligence in Communist China are of two types; tactical and strategic. The tactical targets are those located close to zones of probable combat activity. US forces are in place close to these zones and have photographic collection capabilities for many targets of tactical significance particularly those that would be indicators of early initiation of aggressive action. Strategic targets are for the most part more remote; it is safe to assume that for the most part Theatre forces do not have capabilities for coverage of strategic targets.

7. The following targets are arranged in priority groups, the groups designed to represent categories of intelligence problems. Within each group, targets are arranged alphabetically signifying equal importance prioritywise. Targets, coverage of which is deemed feasible by means available to Theatre forces [redacted] are omitted.

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8. Targets for Coverage of CHICOM Military Capabilities (Land, Sea, and Air).

(a) Highest Priority Targets indicating capabilities for air and/or naval attack (including degree of Soviet support).

PRIORITY	CITY/INSTALLATION	COORDINATES	CATEGORY/INTEREST Primary	Secondary	B.E. NO.	AGENCY	HTA NO.
W	CHOU-SHUI-TZU Afld	38-58N 121-33E	A-B	E	[redacted]	1	[redacted]
W	DAIREN Complex	38-55N 121-39E	E			1,2,3,4	
W	DAIREN-PORT ARTHUR Complex	38-55N 121-34E	B-E-F-G			2,3	
W	DAIREN-PORT ARTHUR Shipyard	38-48N 121-16E	E				
W	HANGCHOW Gov't Ct Ctr	30-15N 120-10E	B-A			1	
W	HARBIN Complex	45-45N 126-39E	F-A	G-D		1,2,4	
W	MUKDEN Complex	41-48N 123-27E	A-B-F-G			1,2,3,4	
W	PULANTIEN Afld	39-27N 122-02E	A			1,3	
W	SHANGHAI Complex	31-14N 121-28E	B-E-F	G		1,2,3,4	
W	TSINGTAO Complex	36-05N 120-18E	A-E			1	
W	WUHAN (HANKOW) Complex	30-34N 114-13E	E-B-A	F-G		1,2,3	
W	WUKUNG Afld	34-17N 108-17E	A			1	

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(b) Highest Priority Targets indicating capabilities of ground forces for hostile action and status of tactical air support and air defense readiness (including degree of Soviet support).

W	LANCHOU Gov't Ct Ctr	36-03N 103-41E	F	G	[redacted]	2,4	[redacted]
W	MANCHOULI Complex	49-35N 117-26E	F	D-G		1,2,4	
W	SUIFENHO Complex	44-24N 131-10E	F	G		2,4	
W	TSITSIHAR Complex	47-22N 123-57E	B				

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(c) High Priority Targets indicating capabilities of ground forces for hostile action and status of tactical air support and air defense readiness (including degree of Soviet support).

Z1	ANTUNG Complex	40-01N 124-17E	A		[redacted]	1,3	[redacted]
Z1	CHIAO HSIEN Afld	36-20N 120-01E	A			1	
Z2	CHILIN (KIRIN) Complex	43-51N 126-33E	G	E-F		4	
	HSU CHANG	34-01N 113-49E	G				
Z1	KAIFENG Afld	34-51N 114-21E	B-G			1,3	
Z1	LIAOYUAN Afld	43-35N 123-32E	B			1	
	SHIHCHIACHUANG	38-03N 114-29E	G				
Z1	YENCHI Afld	42-53N 129-29E	A-G			1	

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9. Targets for Coverage of CHICOM Logistic and Economic Capabilities. 25X1

PRIORITY	CITY/INSTALLATION	COORDINATES	CATEGORY/INTEREST Primary	Secondary	B.E. NO.	AGENCY	HTA NO.
	ANSHAN	41-07N 122-57E	F				
W	FUSHUN Complex	41-52N 123-53E	F-G			2,4	
Z1	HSIAN Afld Complex	34-16N 108-55E	A-F			1,3	
	LIEN YUN KANG	34-43N 119-27E	F				
Z2	PAOTOU Iron Steel Wks	40-36N 110-03E		F		4	
W	PEIPING Complex	39-56N 116-24E	B-F-G			2,4	
W	SAIN SHANDA Complex	44-52N 110-09E		F		2	
W	TSINING Complex	40-57N 113-02E	F			4	
Z1	YUMEN Petroleum Refn	39-42N 97-50E		F		1,4	

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